

Guidelines for the Class of 2002 Science and Technology Centers (Centers or STCs)

PROGRAM SOLICITATION

NSF 00-67 can be found at:

http://nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=NSF0067&org=NSF

FUNDING, PERFORMANCE, AND REVIEW

Following is the anticipated schedule and type of review/evaluation:

<u>Performance Year</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Performance Period</u>	<u>Type of Review/Evaluation</u>
6 th	2007		Annual Site visit, mid-term teleconference review
7 th	2008		Annual Site visit, mid-term teleconference review
8 th	2009		Annual Site visit, mid-term teleconference review
9 th	2010		Annual Site visit, mid-term teleconference review
10 th	2011		Final Site visit review

Continuation of NSF support will depend upon an annual evaluation of progress, accomplishments, and availability of funds.

The primary vehicle for progress evaluation will be annual site visits and mid-term teleconference reviews. The NSF STC Management Team—Technical Coordinator and OIA representative--will negotiate the date for each site visit and the teleconference review with the principal investigator or the Center. Each site visit is to take place at least three to four weeks prior to the end of each performance period in order for funding decisions to be made and the processing of NSF. The Site Visit Team will consist of external experts in the scientific and/or engineering areas that are the foci of the Center, as well as knowledge transfer, diversity, and education. The Site Visit Team will write and submit to NSF a report about the Center. NSF will share the report with the Center.

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

The Center is required to submit annual report describing progress. Specifics about annual reports are described at <http://nsf.gov/od/oia/programs/stc/reports/reportingrequirements.doc>. From time to time, NSF may also request Special Reports from the awardee. The awardee is required to submit those reports following instructions provided at the time by the NSF staff.